## **County Highlights Home**

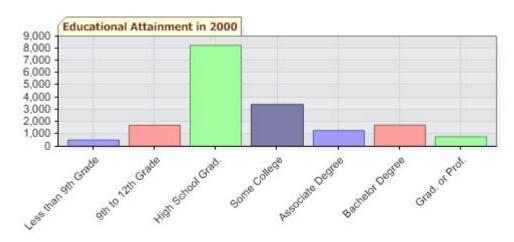
## Wells County, IN Highlights

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<u>Overview</u>	<u>Population</u>	Education	Commuting	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Income</u>	Firm Size

## **Education**

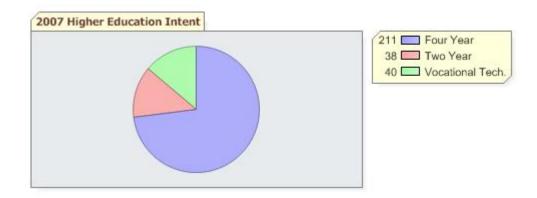
The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

<b>Educational Attainment</b>				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	N/A	N/A	16,396	17,767
Less than 9th Grade	N/A	N/A	1,091	518
9th to 12th, No Diploma	N/A	N/A	2,352	1,736
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	N/A	N/A	7,537	8,260
Some College, No Degree	N/A	N/A	2,372	3,424
Associate Degree	N/A	N/A	1,063	1,293
Bachelors Degree	N/A	N/A	1,065	1,740
Graduate or Professional Degree	N/A	N/A	916	796



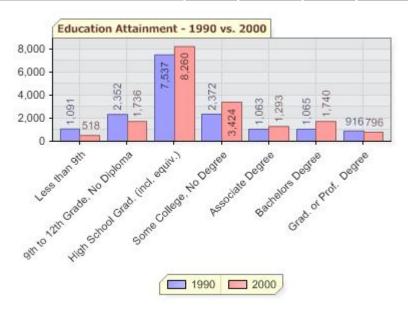
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education						
2004	2005	2006	2007			
339	356	345	363			
250	267	257	289			
182	199	180	211			
11	31	27	38			
57	37	50	40			
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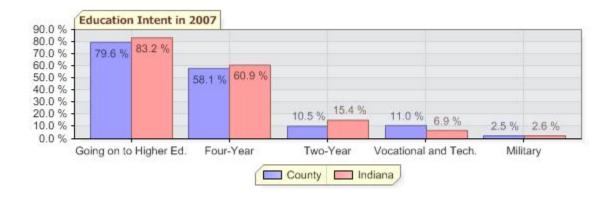
Source: Indiana Department of Education

Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000						
	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+		
<b>Total Population 25+</b>	16,396	100.0%	17,767	100.0%		
Less than 9th Grade	1,091	6.7%	518	2.9%		
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	2,352	14.3%	1,736	9.8%		
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	7,537	46.0%	8,260	46.5%		
Some College, No Degree	2,372	14.5%	3,424	19.3%		
Associate's Degree	1,063	6.5%	1,293	7.3%		
Bachelor's Degree	1,065	6.5%	1,740	9.8%		
Graduate or Professional Degree	916	5.6%	796	4.5%		



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Higher Education Intent				
	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.		
Graduates	100.0%	100.0%		
Total Going on to Higher Education	79.6%	83.2%		
Four-Year Institution	58.1%	60.9%		
Two-Year Institution	10.5%	15.4%		
Vocational and Tech.	11.0%	6.9%		
Military	2.5%	2.6%		



Source: Indiana Department of Education